

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC., d/b/a IOWA TELECOM	DOCKET NO. SPU-02-9
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**ORDER STAYING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

(Issued August 7, 2002)

On June 28, 2002, Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc., d/b/a Iowa Telecom (Iowa Telecom), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a request for approval to disconnect access services being provided to WorldCom, Inc. (WorldCom). The request was based upon Sections 2.4.1(A) and 2.1.8(A) of Iowa Telecom's intrastate access services tariff.

On July 2, 2002, the Board docketed the request for investigation pursuant to Iowa Code § 476.20 and, in the alternative, § 476.11 (2002) and ordered that WorldCom file its answer to the request on or before July 5, 2002.

WorldCom filed a resistance to Iowa Telecom's request and a motion to dismiss the request on July 5, 2002.

On July 12, 2002, the Board set this matter for hearing on an expedited schedule.

On July 30, 2002, WorldCom filed a notice with the Board stating that on July 21, 2002, WorldCom filed a voluntary petition under Chapter 11 of the U. S.

Bankruptcy Code in the U. S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. The petition has been assigned Case No. 02-13533-ajg. Pursuant to the provisions of 11 U.S.C. § 362, according to WorldCom, the petition operates as an automatic stay of any further proceedings in this action until the Bankruptcy Court grants relief from the stay or until the bankruptcy case is closed or dismissed.

Based upon WorldCom's July 30, 2002, filing and the representations therein, the procedural schedule in this docket will be stayed, pending further orders of the Board.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

The procedural schedule in this docket is stayed, pending further Board orders.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002.